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Peter John Barton et al.

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For: 1,4-DISUBSTITUTED PIPERIDINE
DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE AS 11-
BETA-HSD1 INHIBITORS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Restriction Requirement, mailed October 22, 2007, in connection with the above application, Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 10-11 and 13-15). Applicants wish to point out that the restriction was apparently made on an obsolete set of claims. The most current set of claims was filed in a Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently with the application on April 1, 2005. Applicants are therefore responding to the restriction as applied to the amended claims.

Claim 21 was added in the Preliminary Amendment of April 1, 2005 and was not mentioned in the Restriction Requirement of October 22, 2007. Applicants presume that claim 21 is classified in group III, since claim 21 depends from claim 18, which is a member of group III. Applicants would appreciate confirmation that claim 21 is within group III.

Applicants have cancelled claims drawn to the non-elected inventions. Applicants have also added new claims 22 and 23, which depend from elected claims.

In addition, Applicants hereby elect, for search purposes only, the species of Example 125 on page 69 of the Application.

Applicants submit that at least claims 11, 13, 22, and 23, read on the elected species.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.